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ARMED SUSPECT SHOT WHILE FLEEING POLICE

A 22-year-old Milwaukee man was shot by Milwaukee Police after he ran from officers and turned on them with a weapon.

The incident began at 5:12 p.m. Thursday, May 5, 2005 when two officers patrolling the area of N. 40th and W. Center Streets attempted to stop a vehicle for a traffic violation. The vehicle slowed down and turned onto N. 38th Street. The passenger exited the vehicle with a weapon in his hand and ran from the officers. The driver fled the scene in the vehicle.

The officers chased the suspect on foot through yards and through a gangway between N. 38th and N. 39th Streets. When the suspect emerged onto W. Center Street, he was struck by a passing vehicle. The suspect rolled over the hood of the vehicle and continued to run with the gun in his hand. That vehicle also fled the scene. When officers caught up to the suspect he brought up the weapon. One officer fired, striking the suspect. The incident ended at 5:13 p.m.

Milwaukee Police continue to investigate whether the suspect fired any shots. The suspect is a convicted felon and has a record with the Milwaukee Police Department for drug and weapons charges. His injuries were not believed to be life-threatening.

The Milwaukee Police Officer involved in the shooting incident is a 28-year-old male with three and one half years of service. His partner is a 35-year-old male with 10 years of service. The officers were in uniform and are assigned to the Seventh Police District.

The incident is under investigation by the Milwaukee Police Department and the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office. As is standard operating procedure, the officer involved was placed on administrative duty pending the completion of the investigation.

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